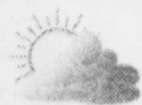


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Trustees pass CSU fee increase

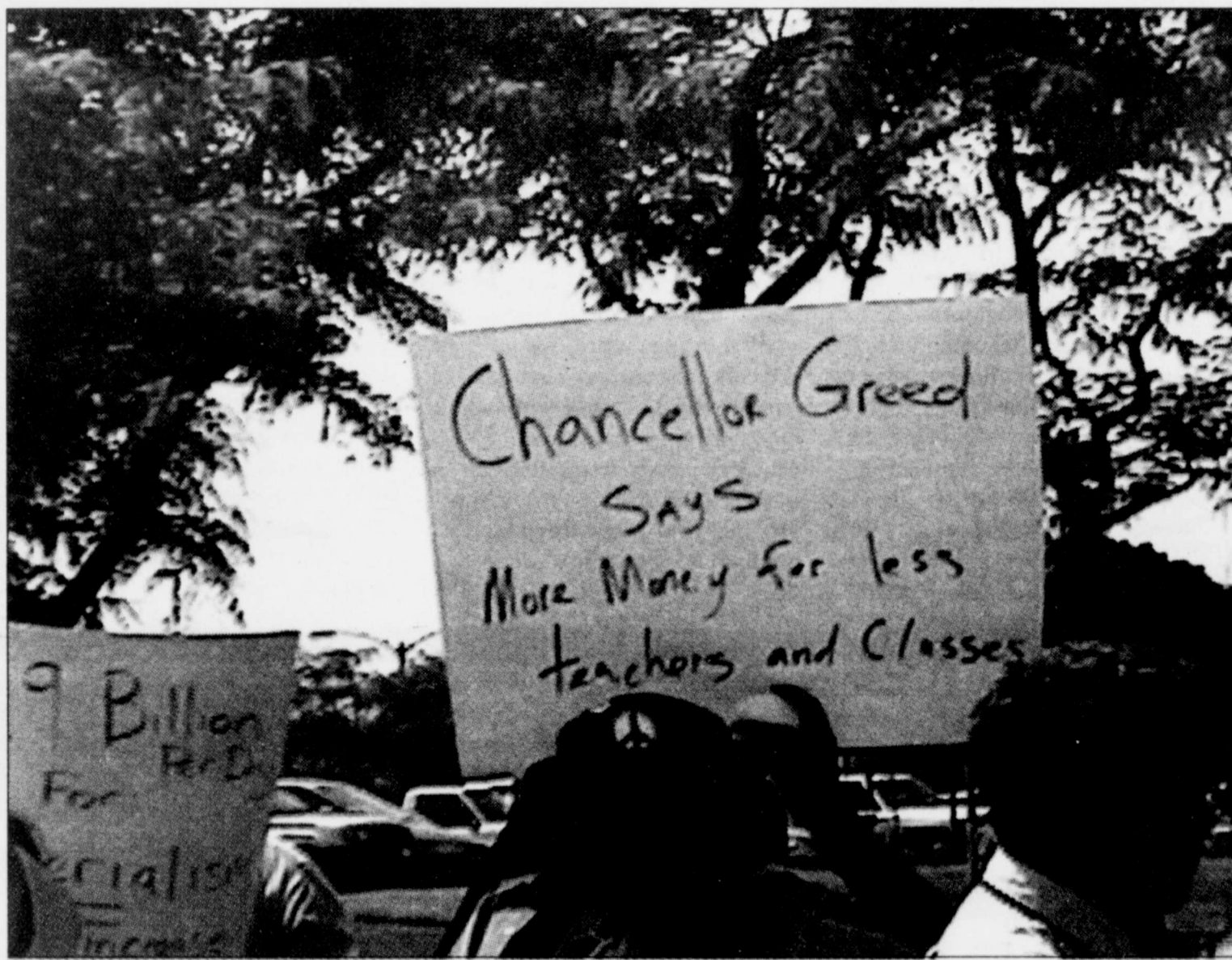


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California State University students and faculty protested Wednesday outside of the Board of Trustees meeting, where the vote to increase student fees by 30 percent and decrease enrollment growth was made.

► Decision to raise student fees 30 percent causes protests at board meeting

By Amy Hessick

SUMMER MUSTANG STAFF WRITER

SANTA MONICA — Passionate protest from students and faculty erupted after the California State

University Board of Trustees voted to raise student fees 30 percent during their meeting Wednesday.

The 11-2 decision will increase student fees \$474 for undergraduate students and \$522 for graduates and decrease enrollment growth from 7 to 5 percent for the 23 CSU campuses. One-third of the revenues from the fee increase will be set aside for financial aid to help the most needy

students pay the fee increase.

These increases are in addition to the 10 percent fee increase that took effect in January and the college-based academic fee-increase that Cal Poly students passed in May 2002.

Because of California's budget crisis and significant cuts to state funding of the CSUs, Gov. Gray Davis' budget proposed a 25 percent hike on student fees to help offset the cuts,

Student ReactionJulia Corcoran
business senior

"I expected it. It's still lower than most other schools. I'm just disappointed because I expected to see more classes and I haven't."

"I feel like the education is getting worse and I am paying for it."

Cari Nelson
liberal studies juniorShaun Porcar
graphic communications senior

"From my perspective, I do not see anything changing. Of all the fee increases that we have had, I have not seen the benefit."

Basically, students are suffering for the incompetence of state officials."

but the Board of Trustees decided to raise this to 30 percent. The presidents of the CSU campuses unanimously supported the fee increase, and asked the board to approve it. Ruben Arminana, president of Sonoma State University, said the fee increase works out to be about \$1.21 per day for undergradu-

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Cuesta takes out loans to maintain payroll

By Hillary Schuler-Jones

SUMMER MUSTANG STAFF WRITER

Delays in passing the 2003-04 California state budget have forced Cuesta College to take out a \$6.5 million tax and revenue anticipation (TRANs) loan to maintain its payroll, said Gil Stork, Cuesta's vice president of student services.

The loan will ensure that Cuesta can retain its entire staff through August, but if the budget doesn't pass by September, administrators will have to look for alternate ways to cope with the shortfall.

While a stagnant state budget is not new, its impact on California's community colleges is a California Supreme Court ruling passed in May. The decision prohibits State Controller Steve Westly from distributing funds to community colleges until the fiscal-year budget had been approved.

The court ruling has put 108 California community colleges in limbo as they wait to see if the budget will pass before the next \$200 million allotment is due at the end of July.

Stork said it is too soon to tell what specific adjustments will be made at Cuesta if the budget has not passed by the fall semester.

"We're more concerned about getting on with business. You can only play the scenario game so long," he said.

He said he is confident that the budget will pass before classes begin

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UPD faces shortages in patrolling officers

By Susan Malanche

SUMMER MUSTANG STAFF WRITER

Retirements and medical injuries mean the University Police Department will face shortages in patrolling officers on campus.

With a campus population of 22,000 students, faculty and staff there are one to three officers on patrol on a daily basis, UPD Sgt. Robert Eckrote said.

"We're lucky if there are three, but a lot of the times we only have one," he said. "Most of the time when we're showing up to calls we're by ourselves."

Currently, UPD staff works on grants to get funds from state, federal or private industries to help employ more patrol officers, Eckrote said.

"With the state budget having

problems it comes down to dollars and cents," he said. "I've heard the term of having to do more with less."

Full staff at UPD is 15 officers, three sergeants, one commander and one chief. The department is now short three officers and one sergeant, said Marlene Cramer, UPD business service coordinator.

According to the Bureau of Criminal Statistics, Cal Poly theft crimes increased by almost 25 percent between January 2001 and 2002. Being short of staff makes officers not as visible on campus and students need to use more common sense in assisting in crime prevention as well, said Fred Mills, UPD communications and records coordinator.

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Blaze threatens land near Bishop's

By Hillary Schuler-Jones

SUMMER MUSTANG STAFF WRITER

Nearly 100 firefighting personnel from San Luis Obispo, Cayucos and surrounding areas battled a 25-acre blaze in the hills northwest of Cal Poly Wednesday.

The fire was sparked just before 10 a.m. when a bird flew into a powerline between Menini Ranch and Rancho Caballo off Highway 1, said Gil Portillo, a spokesman for the San Luis Obispo County Fire Department.

The fire was fully contained by 1:30 p.m., but spot fires continued well into the afternoon. Although the wind kept the fire from threatening homes, the blaze did burn to the edge of the proposed Rancho Caballo development, which contains several home sites valued at more than \$1 million.



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Planes dropped chemicals on the fire Wednesday at about noon.

Weather Watch

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Health Beat

The inside scoop on health happenings at Poly

You spot her across the room. She's drawing you in as if by some magical force. She can't hold a conversation, her laugh is embarrassing and she needs a new stylist; but, to you, she's perfect.

Good news for students who

News Column

romantic attractions: Pheromones, odorless, sexual scents of attraction we subconsciously send to other humans, may be partly to blame for whom we date and marry.

For years, scientists knew pheromones helped lower animals communicate about food, territory and sex. Animals like moths and ants have a specialized organ (the vomeronasal organ) that recognizes and releases pheromones. For example, two ants that rub antennae are exchanging pheromones to identify each other's species or colony identities, according to Science News Online.

It wasn't until 1971 that biopsychologist Martha K.

McClintock first suspected pheromones played a role in human communication. She discovered college dormitory roommates at the University of Chicago had synchronized menstrual cycles after living together for several months. In 1998, McClintock proved at least two human pheromones existed.

For over a decade, scientists looked for the same chemical-producing organ in humans that they found in animals. New studies show we may not need one specific organ to make pheromones, though.

Instead, scientists like George Preti at the Monell Chemical Senses Center in Philadelphia propose each human's body odor is unique, like a fingerprint or face, and outlines the components of our individual immune systems. They call it Odor Prints.

Scientists say Odor Prints could be a useful way to prevent pregnancy, treat infertility, alleviate stress and lift depression. The pheromones also make people seem sexier to certain individuals

than to others.

Preti finds most of the evidence for the Odor Print theory in a quite unsexy place: the underarm.

"It should be everywhere on the body," he said in a recent Discover Magazine article, "but of course my favorite area is the armpit."

Humans usually smell best to people with an immune system different than their own. Choosing a mate with a different immunity could make a couple's children healthier and stronger, according to an article on CNN.com. The perfume industry is anxious to use the chemicals to give their products true sex appeal and Web surfers can already buy products like Attraction Pack for Women or Scent of Eros for less than \$50 online.

Psychology professor Laura Freberg said the desire to produce genetically favorable kids and to be alluring is understandable, but, since the body naturally uses the pheromones to promote favorable mating, overriding the body's system could be mildly dangerous. Plus, relying solely on chemical

signals to choose our mates ignores the ability to reason and make decisions.

"As 2003 people, we think we're so smart," she said, "but when we try to mess with mom nature, we tend to run into problems."

Some students said quality characteristics are important once a relationship is established, but physical attraction is most important at the beginning. Others, though, said using pheromones to get a date is absurd. Physical attraction doesn't guarantee a happily ever after relationship.

"Even if you have a cute guy, he's not that cute if he's not nice," nutrition senior Judy Yang said.

Gulping a vial of pheromones may seem like a quick fix to dating woes, but think twice before downing that bottle of Love Potion No. 9. You never know who your immune system will bring running.

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National Briefs

Nearly 28 years after Hoffa's disappearance, Michigan authorities dig for evidence

HAMPTON TOWNSHIP, Mich. — Nearly 28 years after ex-Teamsters boss Jimmy Hoffa disappeared in the Detroit area, law enforcement officials dug into the ground Wednesday outside a home nearly 100 miles away, a prosecutor said.

Authorities from Oakland County obtained a search warrant Tuesday and were looking for evidence including a briefcase in Hampton Township, prosecutor David Gorcyca said. Authorities say a convicted murderer who helped police find the body of another long-vanished man earlier this year now claims Hoffa is buried in the yard.

The search warrant was executed Wednesday morning, but authorities ran into complications "because of an above-ground pool over the dig site," Gorcyca said. They were still digging and draining the pool in the early afternoon.

"We're skeptical, but feel we need to check it out," Oakland County Sheriff Michael Bouchard told the Detroit Free Press from the home's back yard.

Gorcyca declined to describe what may be in the briefcase or how it may be connected to Hoffa's disappearance, saying a judge signed an order suppressing that information when he approved the search warrant.

Hoffa, 62, vanished on the afternoon of July 30, 1975, from a parking lot in a Detroit suburb in Oakland

County. Hampton Township is located a few miles northeast of Bay City, near Michigan's Thumb.

Christian leaders urge civil protest around Ten Commandments in Alabama

WASHINGTON — Two clergy leaders want to rally hundreds of Christians to kneel around the Ten Commandments monument on display in a Montgomery, Ala., courthouse — an act of civil disobedience they've already tried outside abortion clinics.

Leaders of the National Clergy Council and Christian Defense Coalition unveiled the plans Wednesday at a news conference in front of the U.S. Supreme Court, which they point out has a mural of Moses delivering the Commandments.

Roy Moore, chief justice of Alabama's Supreme Court, has steadfastly refused to remove the 5,300-pound monument from the Montgomery courthouse despite rulings ordering him to do so. Earlier this month, the 11th Circuit U.S. Court of Appeals denied Moore's petition to keep the Commandments on display, and he is trying to convince the U.S. Supreme Court to take up the case.

Poll: Voters not inclined to back GOP alternatives to Calif governor

LOS ANGELES — Democratic Gov. Gray Davis apparently would lose a recall election, but most California voters are not inclined to support the Republican alternatives, a poll found Wednesday.

The poll by the nonpartisan Field Research Corp. in San Francisco found 51 percent of likely voters said they would oust Davis and 43 percent opposed the recall. Six percent were undecided.

It confirmed other recent surveys that show that the governor, battered by the state's energy crisis and budget deficit, is at risk if the Republican-led recall drive makes it to the ballot.

"There's a greater than 50 percent chance it will be successful," said Allan Hoffenblum, a Republican consultant.

The poll also tested the strength of five potential Republican replacements and a Green Party candidate and found majorities of voters not inclined to support them. Actor Arnold Schwarzenegger, despite his high profile, came in second behind former Los Angeles Mayor Richard Riordan.

International Briefs

Iraqis target U.S. plane with surface-to-air missile, kill soldier in convoy

BAGHDAD, Iraq — In a marked escalation in attacks, suspected insurgents tried to shoot down a U.S. transport plane with a surface-to-air missile Wednesday, killed an American soldier in a convoy and gunned down the mayor of an Iraqi city. The violence came on the eve of a banned holiday Saddam Hussein loyalists could use to demonstrate their power.

The U.S. military said one surface-to-air missile was fired on a C-130 transport as it landed at Baghdad International Airport. It was only the second known missile attack on a

plane using the airport since Baghdad fell to U.S. forces on April 9, said Spc. Giovanni Lorente. He said he did not know where the plane came from or whether it was carrying passengers, cargo or both.

Meanwhile, Mohammed Nayil al-Jurayfi, who had actively cooperated with U.S. forces as mayor of Hadithah, was killed when his car was ambushed by attackers firing automatic rifles as he drove away from his office in the city 150 miles northwest of Baghdad, police Capt. Khudhier Mohammed said. One of the mayor's sons also was killed.

Renegade troops seize power in small island nation off Africa

SAO TOME, Sao Tome and Principe — Troops deposed the government in this island nation off West Africa on Wednesday, a revolt that could change control of the impoverished country's new oil wealth.

The rebellious soldiers said they would install a military junta to govern Sao Tome and Principe, one of Africa's smallest and poorest countries.

The uprising renewed concern over political stability in the Gulf of Guinea at a time when the West African region grows in importance as an alternative to the Middle East as a source of oil.

Sao Tome, a former Portuguese colony of about 140,000 people, has courted the United States in recent years in the hope of aid and support for offshore oil exploration.

Troops detained Prime Minister Maria das Neves and other senior officials but there were no reports of casualties in the coup, which began with

pre-dawn gunfire. President Fradique de Menezes was on a visit to Nigeria at the time.

Rastafarians clamor for love, not war, at start of international conference in Jamaica

KINGSTON, Jamaica — Hundreds of dreadlocked Rastafarians gathered in Jamaica's capital Wednesday to talk about the future of their faith, including how more followers can be repatriated to Africa and how to convince governments to allow marijuana use.

Rastas from the Caribbean, the United States, Europe and Africa gathered for the weeklong meeting in Kingston, where reggae artists like Bob Marley and Peter Tosh gave the religion a world stage in the 1970s through songs promoting peace, non-violence, legal marijuana and "one love."

Trevor Stewart, a leader from the Bobo Ashanti sect, said the conference will discuss the Rastafarian faith and trying to end global conflict.

"You can't rule the world with vigor and guns and bullets. It's love that rules the world," Stewart said.

Fueled by anger over the colonial oppression of blacks, Rastafarianism emerged in Jamaica during the 1930s and spread throughout the Caribbean. Followers practice a strict oneness with nature, eating only certain foods and growing their hair into long strands called dreadlocks.

Briefs compiled from The Associated Press wire service by Summer Mustang editor in chief Andra Coberly.

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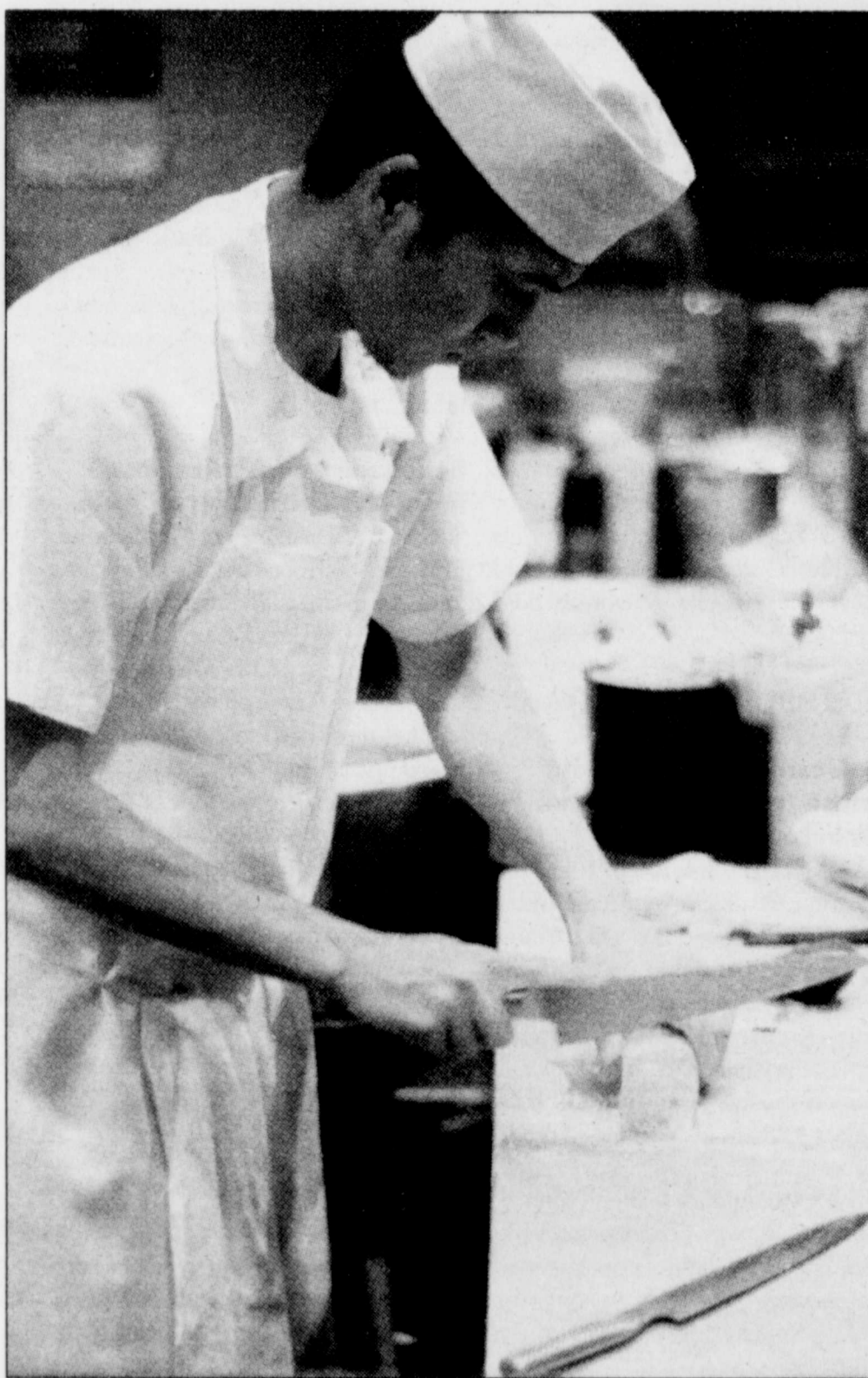
By Whitney Kellogg
SUMMER MUSTANG STAFF WRITER

My fingers wade through a sea of brown, pink and green, a murky puddle I dip into again and again. My biggest challenge: Stopping the cascade of brown liquid that rolls down my arm.

No, it wasn't a biology experiment testing the water quality in San Luis Obispo, it was my most recent meal at Sakura Rikyu at 11560 Los Osos Valley Rd., is a Japanese restaurant with traditional wood screens, exotic flowers and kimono-clad servers. I was trying to find the most graceful way to eat dinner without staining my shirt or embarrassing other customers sitting nearby.

I was there for the restaurant's \$12.95 all-you-can-eat handroll special, which lasts until the end of the month. Handrolls are sheets of seaweed rolled into a cone and filled with rice, fish and other goodies. Daring sushi lovers dip the delicacies in a mixture of soy sauce, ginger and wasabi, a fiery green paste that, if eaten in mass, could make even the manliest man cry like a baby.

I was making a fool of myself, but I was not alone. My boyfriend and mom accompanied me, promising to try at least one extreme handroll each. The sizzle of meat from nearby tables created a constant din, pierced by shouts of "Sake Bomb!" from rowdy customers.



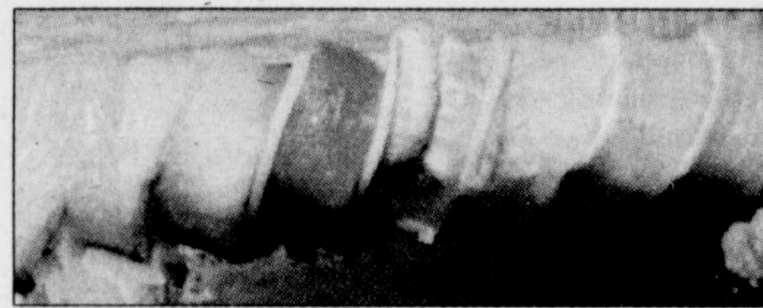
Six other wise spenders sat at the bar where the sushi is made, trying to catch their own soy sauce drips and control their watering eyes. Like me, they were on a race to make the dinner a good deal.

Customers only have an hour to eat their fill of handrolls and can

strict, but when the chef handed me my first order, a Rainbow Roll stuffed with crab, shrimp, cucumber, avocado, halibut, yellow tail, salmon and tuna, I knew I'd be topped off in about 15 minutes.

"I feel like I'm competing in a pie eating contest," my boyfriend said halfway through his Bonzai Roll, a mass of deep fried crab, cucumbers, avocado, crab and salmon eggs. "I want to just go for it."

I figured that was permission to also make him try the Santa Maria roll before we left. I winced as he



BRIAN KENT/SUMMER MUSTANG

Left, sushi chef Yasu tries to keep up with the hungry customers demand. Above, the Rainbow Roll staff writer Whitney Kellogg ordered proved not only to be tasty, but colorful as well.

only order two at a time. They have to eat the entire roll before ordering other rolls and can't take any handrolls home. A full-size roll of sushi costs up to \$20 at Sakura Rikyu, so paying almost half the price for an unlimited amount of food made dinner almost guilt-free.

With five chefs bustling behind the counter, we were lucky to get three of the nine seats reserved for the promotion. In the first few weeks, customers could sit for two hours, but the time limit was shortened to one hour as customers continued piling in.

At first, the restrictions seemed

took a bite of seaweed-wrapped barbecue chicken, broccoli, strawberry cream cheese and special sauce. Some foods were not meant to be combined.

After an hour of sea life and wasabi, we paid the bill and walked a little slower going out than we did coming in. I didn't reach the promotion's record of 21 handrolls, but I had my fill of sushi for the night. I thought I was over my raw fish craving for a while, but I was later tempted to bring my stomach and my credit card back again. I might even drag some friends in with me next week.

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String tribute fails to hit the high note

By Genevieve Fussell
SUMMER MUSTANG STAFF WRITER

Violins, cellos and classical guitars don't exactly conjure memories of Aussie rock gods AC/DC nor do they remind me of the funky Californian phenomenon No Doubt. After listening to the latest in string tribute albums, paying homage to the musicians, the combination seems nothing short of genius.

New compilations released by Vitamin Records are paying tribute to AC/DC and No Doubt, string style. Songs like "Back in Black" and "Hella Good" transform into graceful melodies as classical guitar takes the place of electric and violas supplant the lyrics. With creativity and immeasurable musical talent, Todd Mark Rubenstein of Vitamin Records arranged and produced the tracks, enlisting the talent of a handful of musicians. While some songs work better than others, both tributes succeed at capturing the unique feel of each band.

Even before pressing play, I was impressed at the magnitude of such an

undertaking, especially considering the near cult-like status of AC/DC. Initially, I thought a string tribute seemed to contradict the hard hitting, riff driven anthems the band is so infamously known for. However, the ingenuity with which the music is translated from one genre to another, is noteworthy.

"Back in Baroque: The String Tribute to AC/DC" is what Rubenstein ultimately created to honor the rock legends. The album features the entire original "Back in Black" album, with classics like "Shoot to Thrill" highlighting its play list. Among the most impressive renditions is "Hells Bells," the opening of which manages to maintain the ominous power of the original, an impressive feat without the electric guitar.

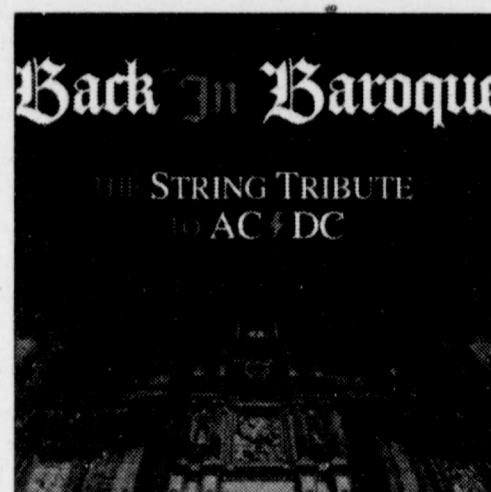
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Initially, I was drawn to the songs that have long been favorites of mine such as "You Shook Me All Night Long," which, after a quick listen, was rather disappointing.

In the end, AC/DC's original album is far better. Without the raspy voice of Brian Johnson, the music loses its flare. The genius of AC/DC was and continues to be in its individual members and their musical inclinations, without which the music becomes dry and a bit boring. The frenetic guitar solos of Angus Young are hard to match with the delicacy of string instruments, which don't express the music with the same vigor and energy.

For No Doubt, Rubenstein chose a unique variety of the bands' hits to interpret using string instruments. The album combines the melodies of earli-

er ballads like "Don't Speak" and the upbeat rhythms of "Spiderwebs" with recent songs such as "Underneath It All." After listening to both tributes, the melodies of No Doubt's tunes pro-



vide a better fit for the orchestral set up. Rubenstein arranged the eclectic sounds of No Doubt with creativity, mastering the bands' ska-reggae style perfectly.

The simple fact that these tributes were made attests to the enduring popularity of both bands. Having recently been inducted into the Rock and Roll Hall of Fame, AC/DC has proven to



COURTESY PHOTOS

The tunes of bands AC/DC and No Doubt have been compiled into string tributes. The tracks were arranged and produced by Todd Mark Rubenstein of Vitamin Records.

be one of the most influential rock bands. While AC/DC's monumental success is unavoidable, No Doubt's infectious music is only beginning to garner serious attention in comparison. No Doubt's four albums have sold more than 13 million copies and continue to attract a loyal fan base, that are sure to enjoy the tribute.

Magical beans leave little to the imagination

By Cathy Ayers

SUMMER MUSTANG STAFF WRITER

What do bananas, cherries, vomit and boogers all have in common? Well, depending on the brand purchased, they currently have taken shape as jelly bean flavors.

Bertie Bott's Every Flavor Beans, introduced in the "Harry Potter" book series are now available to the public for approximately \$3 a box. Currently, each box contains 38 different flavors that range from pleasant flavors like toasted marshmallow and lemon drop, to more obscure tastes such as dirt and sar-

Five flavors remained: vomit, sardine, booger, earwax and dirt. As I tasted them one by one, not surprisingly, they all tasted like the flavors on the label. The vomit and booger flavored jelly beans were not even suitable for swallowing.

dines. The back of the box depicts the colors of all of the jelly beans,

also listing their assigned flavors.

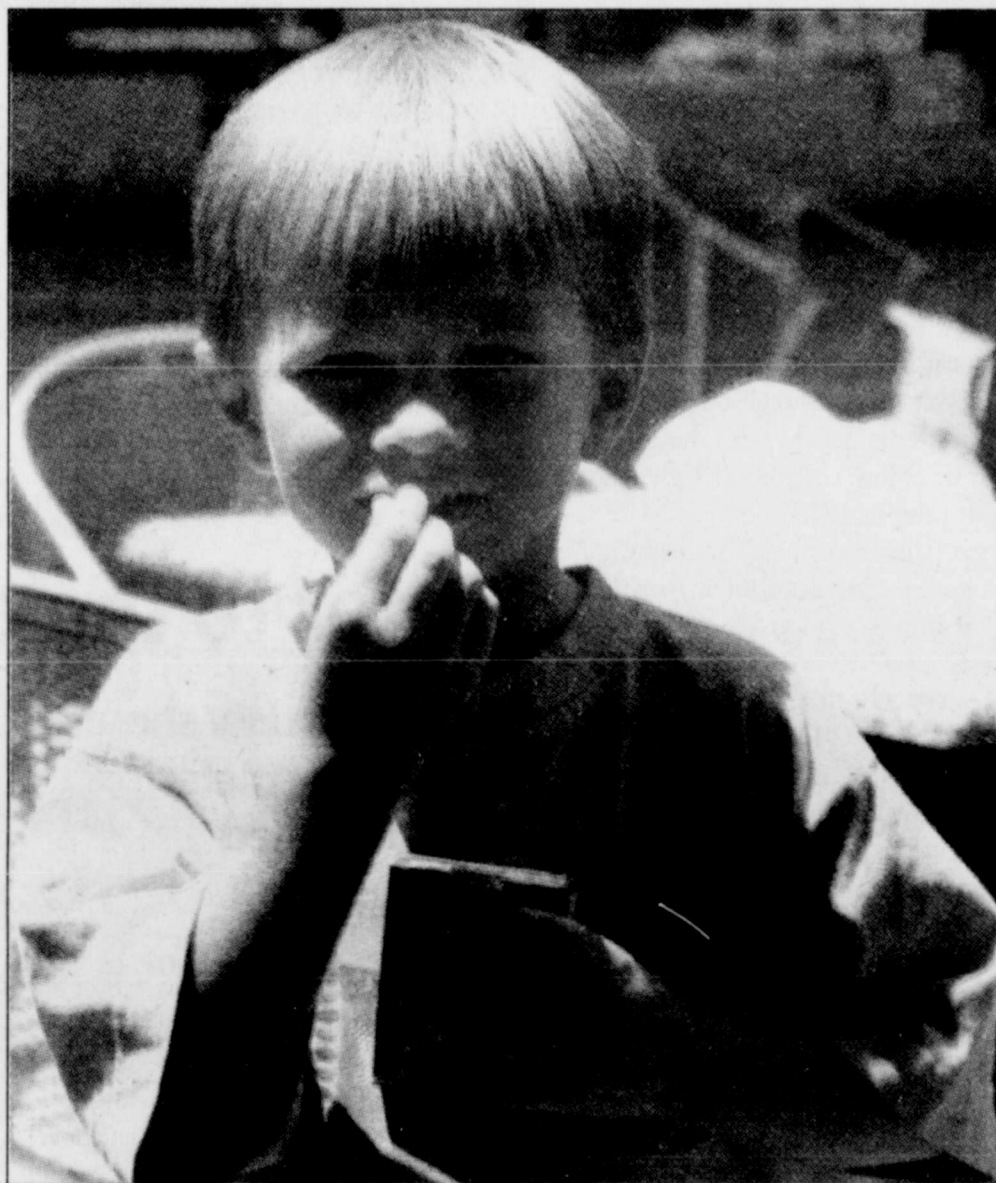
Jelly Belly, a company already notorious for jelly beans that actually taste like their designated flavors, also manufactures Bertie Bott's Every Flavor Beans. In preparation for the taste test I armed myself with some lemonade as a chaser and began sampling.

I started out with the flavors that I considered safe, lemon drop, cinnamon, toasted marshmallow and grape jelly. I gradually worked my way up to the more disturbing flavors. For those, I began with spinach and grass, figuring that they couldn't be that bad. Although baring a freakish resemblance in taste to both of these flavors (not that I eat grass on a regular basis), they were both bearable.

Next I sampled the black pepper, which provoked an eye-watering reaction as it burned its way down my throat. I chased it with some lemonade and took a brief intermission.

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So what exactly do these people put in the jelly beans to make such concoctions? Some of the ingredi-



BRIAN KENT/SUMMER MUSTANG

Harry Potter's magic touch has moved to merchandise. Bertie Bott's Every Flavor Beans, first introduced in the book series, are now available to "muggles" for purchase. Four-year-old Tony Longarini does a taste test in which some of the flavors include vomit and earwax.

ents are spinach powder, black pepper, beeswax, salt and carnauba wax.

You may be wondering how such a horrific invention makes any profit. According to the Jelly Belly Web site, a bag may be purchased for \$6.99, which includes a Harry Potter Flavor Guide, allowing children to trade jelly beans among friends in order to obtain some of the more rare flavors. Other flavors include toast, coconut and strawberry.

The introduction of Bertie Bott's Every Flavor Bean is just one example of the paraphernalia available to crazed "Harry Potter" fans. Bookends, scarves, shirts and Hogwarts hats and glasses are also available. According to CNN.com, a rare version of the third "Harry Potter" book appeared on eBay, with a starting bidding price of \$3,000, while an autographed copy of the most recent novel now has a bid of \$2,800.

What started harmlessly as a series of children's literature has gained the cult-like following of Star Wars. I wouldn't be surprised if people began camping out in line before the release of the next Harry Potter movie, which is scheduled to be released in 2004.



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Sexually violent predator— not in my neighborhood

Now that the first person has completed California's sex offenders program, I could be the new neighbor of a former "sexually violent predator."

Brian DeVries, a convicted sex offender, is the first person to complete the extensive program at Atascadero State Hospital. State authorities are now struggling to find him housing and I'm not surprised. When it comes to releasing inmates who have been incarcerated for serious crimes it seems that people continue to have the same response of "fine, as long as it's not in my neighborhood."

After DeVries' release, authorities will closely monitor all his movements

with a global positioning device and the community will be notified of its new neighbor's history. But even with police observation and community awareness I still wouldn't feel safe nor would I be the first person to bake my new neighbor a batch of cookies welcoming him to the neighborhood.

According to a memorandum from the San Jose City Council opposing his release, DeVries was recently ordered to live in San Jose, which was declared to be inappropriate and unfair to residents of the community.

The community that receives him as a resident will bear the burden of his residency in more ways than one. According to the council's memo, it will cost about \$1 million in taxpayer

money to house, clothe, feed and monitor DeVries upon his release. In the case of DeVries, I would not want him as my new neighbor and I don't understand why he is being released in the first place.

According to the City Council of San Jose's memorandum, he is a serial sex offender. He has admitted to molesting 50 boys across the nation and has been convicted of molesting nine boys. With so many offenses I don't trust that California's state sex offender program alleviated him of his actions. I'm not alone in my conviction.

The State Department of Mental Health, which oversees DeVries' treatment and incarceration, opposed

Superior Court Judge Robert Baines' decision to release him. According to the City Council of San Jose, the DMH expressed its "grave concerns regarding the ability to adequately guarantee the public's safety regardless of the imposition of stringent terms and conditions on (his) outpatient treatment."

The fact that the people who treated DeVries have serious doubts about his release is enough reason for me to not want him in my town. Just because an inmate completes a sex offender program doesn't necessarily mean that he is ready to re-enter society and abide by its laws.

Even though there is a high risk of another offense, DeVries' release and

re-integration into a community could be successful. His re-entry into society is the only way his rehabilitation can be truly evaluated and improved. With this second chance it is the state's job to make sure it doesn't go to waste.

I don't think his release from a state hospital should be considered unless the DMH and Atascadero State Hospital staff can instill greater confidence in the community and reassure that the person they are releasing is a "former" sexually violent predator.

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Affirmative action creates diversity through discrimination

With the United States Supreme Court decision to allow universities to consider race in admissions, many college students and faculty in California are eager to see the state legislature overturn Proposition 209. I am not one of those students.

Proposition 209's ending of affirmative action policies in California has granted equal rights to students and has enabled me to be accepted to a university based on academics, not ethnicity.

According to the California Secretary of State website, Proposition 209, which has been in effect since 1996, "prohibits the state, local governments, districts, public universities, colleges, schools, and other government facilities from discriminating against or giving preferential treatment to any individual or group in public employment, public education, or public contracting on the basis of race, sex, color, ethnicity, or national origin."

Proposition 209 has ended all affirmative action in the state. Affirmative action advocates argue that affirmative action policies are the only way to ensure diversity within society and that all segments of the population have an equal opportunity to jobs and education. Opponents of affirmative action policies contend that these policies, which give preferential treatment to people based on their membership in a group, violate the principle that all individuals are equal under law. Affirmative action policies have often been regarded as reverse discrimination.

The controversy over affirmative action and Proposition 209 is far from being resolved. Although one intention of the U.S. Supreme Court decision is to provide diversity within universities and assistance to minorities, the premise of admitting students based on race, gender or ethnicity is

not one of fairness to neither majority nor minority.

As a Mexican-American, I don't want my heritage and ethnic background to be the basis of my admittance into any university or job. I see affirmative action policies as under-rating my ability to succeed. The membership to a group should not be the underlying factor in choosing between a white or minority applicant in admitting a student to a university. Colleges and universities can continue to provide diversity within their institutions by examining economic status as a form of oppression and not race.

Many low-income students in this country tend to be minorities. Universities can integrate diversity into recruitment strategies by helping those students who don't have the economic ability to attend a university without financial aid.

With the recent U.S. Supreme Court decision, California universities need to improve their efforts in providing a more diverse setting for students without re-examining Proposition 209. Diversity within a university is essential to prepare students for the diverse society they are about to enter, but providing this environment through preferential treatment is not one of fairness to which members of society strive for. Affirmative action policies build an unstable and false sense of equal opportunities among all races.

Walking through a university of extreme competition, I am proud to know that my academic achievements are what got me here in the first place. I made the grade and I can have confidence knowing that I worked hard to get myself where I am today. I didn't need a policy to help me achieve.

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Weighing the pros, cons of animal testing

In the search for a vaccine against AIDS, scientists have begun injecting animals with human-like DNA in hopes that the particular cells that are vaccinated and exposed to the virus will react in the same manner as human cells. While members of the scientific community argue that they are one step closer to helping mankind stop the epidemic, animal right advocates protest cruelty to animals. This leads one to the question: Where should the line between what is necessary and what is cruel be drawn?

There was a time when I would have argued that animal testing in any way, shape, or form was cruel and unnecessary (I recently converted back to being a carnivore after having been a vegetarian for seven years). However, I believe that there are some circumstances under which animal tests are necessary.

Many would argue that drug testing animals is ineffective because they have different effects in humans and animals. However, prior to the administration of drugs to animals, they must pass extensive screening tests in the laboratory that provide information about how drugs react in the body and possible side

effects. If the tests in the laboratory show potentially dangerous side effects, the drugs will not be tested on animals. According to Huntingdon Life Sciences, animal tests provide information about consequences resulting via method of ingestion, which could not be obtained from the test tube studies. After the test is shown to be safe on animals, it will then be applied to human volunteers. While many dispute the effectiveness of these procedures, Huntingdon Life Sciences claim less than 40 of the 2,000 drugs on the market have been withdrawn. This shows a 98 percent rate of effectiveness.

While it would be ideal for scientists to develop alternative methods of testing on animals in medical procedures, this in itself is a process that takes a great deal of time and money. If alternatives are discovered, then I feel that the scientific community should be obliged to practice their experiments on the alternative models rather than animals.

For this reason, I feel that the use of animals in cosmetic testing is becoming outdated and unnecessary. With this said, the number of animals actually used in cosmetic testing has also been

grossly overstated. According to the European Cosmetic Toiletry and Perfumery Association, of the 11.6 million animals used in laboratory tests, only 0.3 percent is used in cosmetic testing. This is largely a result of reduction and refinement alternatives designed to reduce the number of animals used in cosmetic testing. Additionally, cats, dogs, and monkeys are never used in cosmetic testing. Rats, mice, guinea pigs, rabbits and fish are the only animals used in these procedures. Alternatives to the tests that are administered on these animals have already been developed. The effects of phototoxicity and skin corrosion can be measured on human skin models. Several other tests, such as eye irritation and acute toxicity have not yet developed alternatives to animal testing. While it may be necessary to test for these side effects on animals now, the cosmetic industry should be held responsible for developing alternative methods, a process that is estimated to take about five years.

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Letter to the editor

People with HIV should tell their partners or be punished

Dear Editor,

Nadea Mina's opinion article "HIV law invades sufferers' privacy" (July 10) was the stupidest thing I've read in the Mustang Daily in my three years here. Her logic was so dumfounding that I decided I could not just put the paper down and forget what she said. I have to respond.

She begins by stating a California Law, and I paraphrase, "if someone with HIV has sex with someone else with the intent of infecting the other person with HIV, it is a felony." I say, "Damn right it is a felony," but somehow Nadea Mina calls it ridiculous. If I am playing a water tag game with

someone but instead of a water gun I'm packing a revolver that is partially loaded with deadly ammunition, and I don't tell the other player I've got a real gun, there is a problem. Furthermore, if I pull the trigger with the intent to lodge a bullet into the body of the other individual, then we usually call that murder. Likewise, if someone (1) knows he/she is infected; (2) has not disclosed his/her HIV-positive status; and (3) acts with the intent to infect the other person with HIV, you have attempted murder. If the unknowing partner gets infected then you have committed murder (1st degree in my opinion). The only difference is, with HIV you've given them a long, drawn out, expensive, torturous death.

Ridiculous Nadea? I hope you never get called for jury duty.

Tony Moreno is an electrical engineering senior.

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When the UPD needs more help they rely heavily on the San Luis Obispo Police Department for assistance, Eckrote said.

"It gets difficult," Eckrote said. "But with our job it's like fast or famine. You never know what's going to occur."

Although Cal Poly is considered to be one of the safest campuses in California, some students may not agree. English senior Katie Nejasmich said she could see the lack of patrolling officers to be a problem.

"There's lots of cities with less than 22,000 people and I doubt they only have one person on patrol," Nejasmich said. "There could be a problem with such a great number of people and only one person to help them."

"But with our job it's like fast or famine. You never know what's going to occur."

Sgt. Robert Eckrote
University Police Department

With new on-campus housing and a higher student enrollment, more patrolling officers are anticipated. Currently, UPD is trying to fill sergeant and officer positions. Although Cal Poly is generally a safe campus things do happen and people should be alert of their surroundings, Eckrote said.

"With a small police department students need to take more responsibility for their own safety," he said. "Lock your cars, walk in groups and just be aware."

and helicopters douse the flames in water.

Other people in San Luis Obispo were alerted to the fire as thick gray smoke and chunks of white ash spread over the town throughout the morning.

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Traffic slowed for a short time as people lined the highway south of the Men's Colony to watch firefighters

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ates, and he compared this to one Coke or cup of coffee a day.

"If you take into consideration the value of a college degree - about \$1 million over a career's time- that's an incredible number," Arminana said in the meeting.

During the meeting, a seemingly never-ending stream of students entered, wearing and carrying signs with messages such as "They say cut-back, we say fight back" and "University of Misplaced Priority." Most of these people left after the vote and joined a protest outside chanting "The students united will never be divided."

One of the organizers of the protest, CSU Los Angeles student Vanessa Camarena-Arredondo,

pleaded with the board during the meeting to vote against the fee increases.

"I want you to think of us as your ally, not as a pest," Camarena-Arredondo said. "We need to work together to find a solution that can work for everyone."

Another speaker, CSU Northridge student Miguel Paredes, said it was inevitable that the board would pass the fee increases, but in doing so, they were betraying their purpose and ignoring the students. Paredes called for students and faculty to strike as their only available recourse.

"I'd like to thank the board for fueling our fire by passing this increase, and now I encourage students to strike in order to make the board realize the severity of the situation," Paredes said.

After the meeting, Paredes said he is serious about the strike, and he

thinks that once students realize the impact that this decision will have, many will join him in his move to strike.

Students and faculty from CSU campuses throughout the state protested the decision, including Cecil E. Canton, Chair of the California Faculty Association's Affirmative Action Committee and a professor of criminal justice at Sacramento State University. The CFA was against the fee increase and sponsored student trips to the meeting. Canton said maybe a strike is what needs to happen to force the board to listen to students.

"(The Board of Trustees) tried to trivialize it in there by saying it's a cup of coffee a day," Canton said. "Bottom line is, nobody's giving away free coffee, and the folks who made that decision aren't drinking cups of coffee anyway. They drink lattes."

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in August and added that administrators have scheduled fall classes in accordance with Cuesta's expected

2 percent to 3 percent growth rate.

But other officials said that community colleges will face financial difficulties regardless of the budget decision.

"There will still be an impact no matter what is approved or when it is approved," said Aiden Ely, coordinator of Student Services and Special Programs for the California Community Colleges system. "Everyone is being impacted by the amount of cuts they've already had."

One of the most noticeable impacts will be an increase in tuition rates beginning fall semester. The more than 7,000 students who have already enrolled at Cuesta will have to pay \$6 more per unit

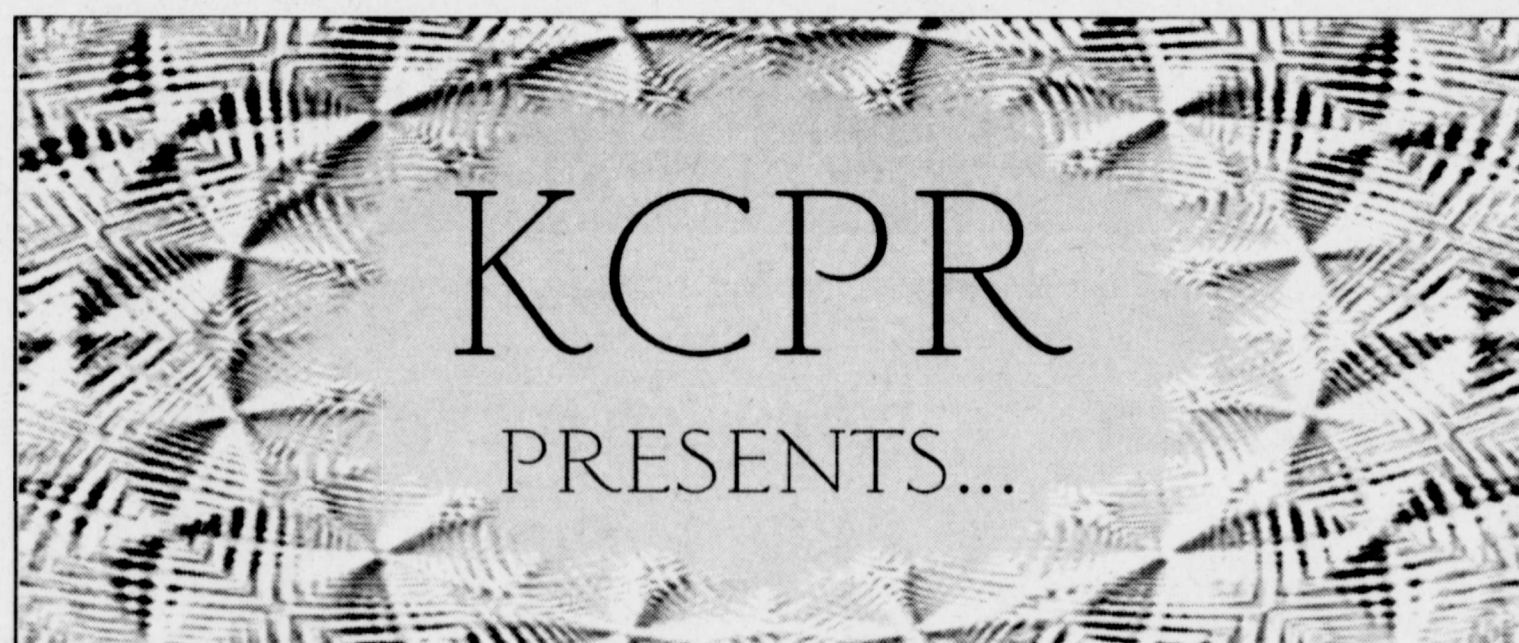
retroactively or face holds on their records and grades, Stork said. Students currently pay \$11 per unit.

But most students are willing to pay the extra as long as they still have access to the classes they need, Stork said.

Classes with multiple sections and low enrollment will be the first targeted if cuts are necessary, he said, adding that many students would still be able to find other sections to enroll in.

Unlike many colleges, Cuesta will not use its reserves to fund the shortfall, Stork said.

"The reserve would barely be enough to fund one month of payroll," Stork said. "It's just not an acceptable pot to go after."



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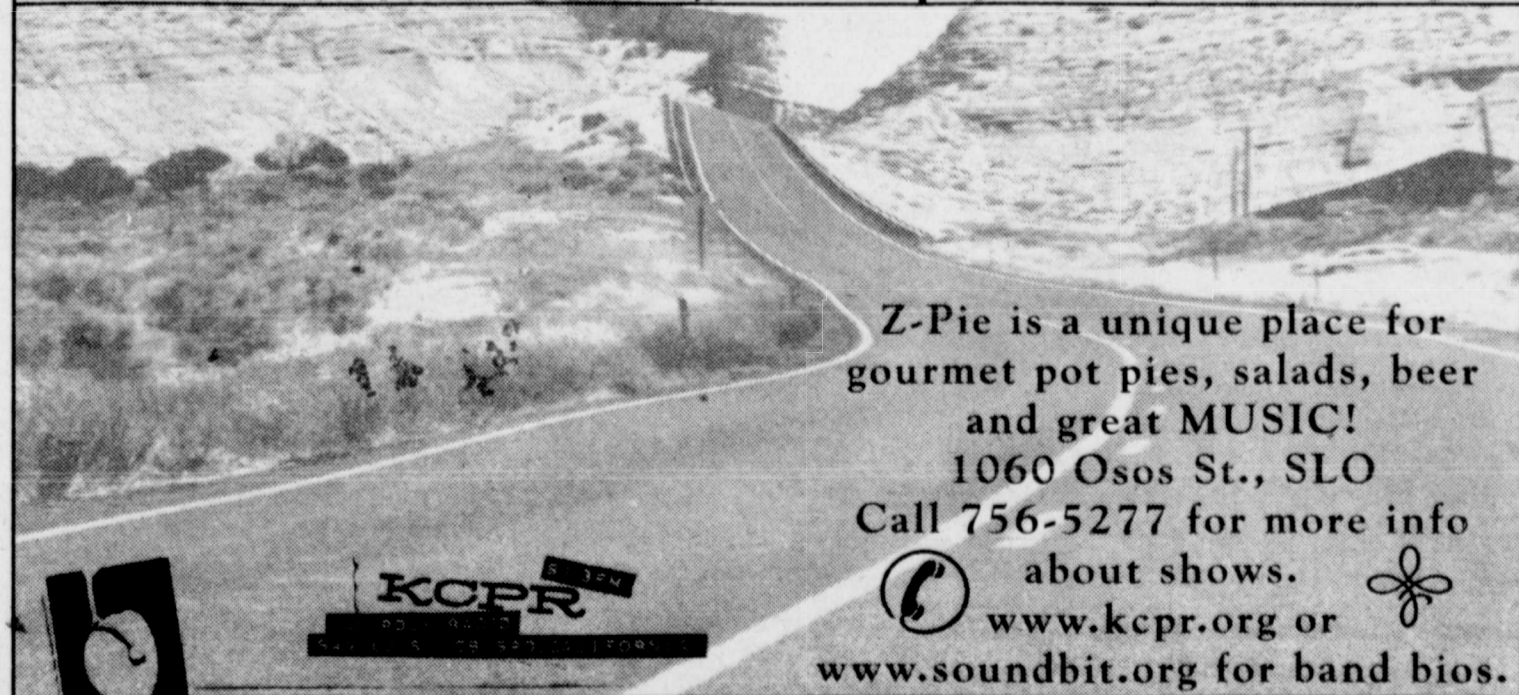
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Mustang Stadium to get pricy facelift

By Nadea Mina
SUMMER MUSTANG STAFF WRITER

More than \$3 million dollars will be spent on the first segment of renovating 67-year-old Mustang Stadium, home of Cal Poly football and soccer.

The program should be completed in fall of 2005.

According to GoPoly.com the money will be spent renovating the California Boulevard-side stands, widen the playing surface, press box expansion. Proposed seating will increase to 2,800.

The money is coming from several outside sources said athletics

▼ *"(The stadium) definitely needs to be upgraded all the way down to the soil."*

John McCutcheon
Athletics Director

director John McCutcheon. The stadium fund has received \$2.8 million from various donors.

The stadium is usable and still functional, he said. Athletes will be

able to use the facilities during the reconstruction.

"(The stadium) is a bit tired and it needs refurbishing," McCutcheon said. "It definitely needs to be upgraded all the way down to the soil."

With the new upgrades both the women's and men's soccer teams can host NCAA tournament games, said women's soccer coach Alex Crozier.

The soccer teams have a hard time hosting now because NCAA regulations require at least a 70-yard width and the field at this time is only 68 yards, Crozier said.

She also said the changes will enhance the program.

"We can play against more competitive teams as well as draw a fan base from all over," Crozier said. "It will overall enhance our program. It will also (give us) premier soccer-playing facilities."

The soccer and football coaches both agree that this will help recruiting as well.

"It gives us a greater edge to compete with other schools for the best athletes," Crozier said.

Football coach Rich Ellerson said the renovation signifies the direction



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Mustang Stadium has housed Cal Poly athletics for 67 years. Renovations will be finished in 2005.

the program is heading.

"Any time there is a physical upgrade it demonstrates the progress forward in which we are moving and it will help the existing team strive in a positive direction," he said.

The athletes are not the only ones who will benefit. Fans, the commu-

nity and even graduation will be reap the benefits after 2005, Ellerson said.

The football players and others aboard the 1960 flight that crashed while returning from playing Bowling Green State will be honored when the new facility opens. It will be not only a memorial for those

that have died, but also to their families and to a part of Cal Poly history, said McCutcheon.

"The families of those who were involved in the plane crash are a huge part of our history and legacy and I think it is great that we are honoring them," Ellerson said.

Students of all abilities find fun in frisbee sports

► Ultimate frisbee, disc golf rapidly growing in popularity

By Genevieve Fussell
SUMMER MUSTANG STAFF WRITER

It all began with the resourceful use of a pie dish and has since morphed into a near phenomenon, commonly known to most as Frisbee.

Although now a registered trademark of Mattel, Frisbee originated when William Russell Frisbie opened a Connecticut pie company in the wake of the Civil War. Little did he know that, with a toss of a pie dish, an infectious game would come to be. From Ultimate Frisbee to disc golf, the Frisbee is soaring to new heights.

Roughly 100,000 people play Ultimate Frisbee in more than 50 countries worldwide. In fact, Ultimate programs in Sweden, Norway, and Japan are recognized

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Derek Woods
Disc golfer

and even funded by the government, according to WhatIsUltimate.com.

It is said Ultimate originated on college campuses in America, with particular credit given to students at Yale University during the 1960s. Although it has since increased in popularity, mainstream acceptance

of the game wasn't apparent until Ultimate was deemed a medal sport in the 2001 World Games in Japan, according to WhatIsUltimate.com.

Ultimate is alive and well at Cal Poly, where members of SLO CORE, the university's Ultimate Frisbee Club, are schooled in the ways of back-hands and overhand-wrist-flips, two common maneuvers in the game.

Ultimate players compete in teams of seven, with the objective of tossing the disc down the field until it's caught in the opponents' endzone.

"It's a great sport that anyone can get out and play," he said. "There's no discrimination as to what kind of athletic ability a player possesses. It's really a game for everybody."

When kinesiology senior and SLO CORE member Jason White first started at Cal Poly, his sights were set on competing in track and field. However, the cut-throat competition among hopeful athletes proved too intense and White turned to Ultimate Frisbee, which didn't require tryouts or even prior experience.

For White, the beauty of the sport is in its flexibility. Anyone can play Ultimate Frisbee at any time in any location, whether at Santa Rosa Park, Pismo Beach or an open field, he said.

As for skill level, White maintains that players with varying levels of athletic ability succeed at the game. He notes that as the season progresses, players inevitably improve and become more adept Frisbee handlers.

"We've had a lot of people come play without a lick of athletic ability," White said. "If you have good hand-eye coordination and you can run and catch, you can be a solid

player."

Disc golf is yet another craze that arose out of the Frisbee phenomenon. From Africa to Peru, people have embraced disc golf as a viable game and hobby. The idea mimics traditional golf, as players attempt

▼ *"If you have good hand-eye coordination and you can run and catch, you can be a solid (Ultimate Frisbee) player."*

Jason White
SLO CORE Member

to traverse a course from beginning to end with the fewest number of throws.

For 23-year-old Cuesta student Derek Woods of Woodacre, Calif., disc golf is a relaxing as well as challenging activity. Woods and his friends often play at the 18-hole course in Atascadero at Heilmann Regional Park.

"I enjoy being outdoors and walking around," Woods said. "It's a low activity level but it doesn't feel as lazy as just watching television."

While Woods plays "just for the fun of it," an increasing number of people are organizing tournaments, which generally last two to five days. The World Flying Disc Federation maps out the rules of the game, which address everything from player conduct to what should be done in the case of a lost disc or hazardous conditions.

"I never really liked golf and I never liked Frisbee," Woods said. "For some reason, I really like Frisbee golf."

Why win a championship when you can buy one?

How many all-star players can you have on one team?

The Los Angeles Lakers have improved their depth and have instilled fear in the rest of the Western Conference by attracting all-stars Gary Payton and Karl Malone.

Payton is a 13-year veteran, who has been on the All-NBA Defensive Team nine times. The only other player to accomplish that feat is Michael Jordan. Payton is a defensive-minded leader, who gives the Lakers an opportunity to fine-tune their starting five and make another run at a championship.

Malone is a legend, like him or not. He is second on the all-time scoring list and is threatening to become the new leader. In 1996, he was named one of the "50 greatest players in NBA history." He has led the Utah Jazz to the playoffs many times, but he has never won a championship. At this point in his career, he sees the Lakers as his last chance to win a title.

After signing these players today,

▼ *This is ridiculous. No other team is stacked like that. I don't see why the Lakers' opponents would even show up.*

four out of the starting five players would be all-stars. This is ridiculous. No other team is stacked like that. I do not even see why the Lakers' opponents would even show up.

However, it is possible that the team could fail to function togeth-

er. Payton and Malone (along with Kobe Bryant and Shaquille O'Neal) are used to getting a lot of ball-touches, and having the offense function around them.

With four guys on the court that are expecting to take a lot of shots, there could be some turmoil. Shaq and Kobe have already fought many times over who should lead the team. I am pretty sure that Payton's

▼ *"Both me and Karl (Malone) have been in this league way too long. We can sacrifice."*

Gary Payton
Lakers' guard

mouth will not help the situation. Payton was once considered the biggest trash-talker in the league.

Maybe a championship run will shut him up.

Payton is a great player and so is Malone. However, neither of these men have had the privilege of hoisting the gold trophy in June. The Lakers can offer them at least a second-round appearance, something that the Bucks, Sonics, and lately the Jazz could not promise.

It is not about money anymore. "Both me and Karl [Malone] have been in this league way too long. We can sacrifice," Payton told the Associated Press.

Yes, Gary, you can sacrifice the money. We all know that. It will be interesting to see if he can sacrifice the touches and attitude as well.

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